

state law, the federal or state law prevails.

Sec. 22.022. JUDICIAL INSTRUCTION RELATED TO FOREIGN LAW AND FOREIGN JUDGMENTS. (a) *The supreme court shall provide for a course of instruction that relates to issues regarding foreign law, foreign judgments, and arbitration awards in relation to foreign law that arise in actions under the Family Code involving the marriage relationship and the parent-child relationship for judges involved in those actions.*

(b) *The course of instruction must include information about:*

(1) *the limits on comity and the freedom to contract for arbitration that protect against violations of constitutional rights and public policy in the application of foreign law and the recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitration awards in actions brought under the Family Code; and*

(2) *the rules of evidence and procedure adopted under Section 22.0041.*

(c) *The supreme court shall adopt rules necessary to accomplish the purposes of this section.*

SECTION 3. The Texas Supreme Court shall adopt rules as required by this Act as soon as practicable following the effective date of this Act, but not later than January 1, 2018.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

Passed by the House on May 6, 2017: Yeas 135, Nays 8, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 22, 2017: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

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NOTIFICATION PROVIDED TO CERTAIN VICTIMS OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES

CHAPTER 772

H.B. No. 104

AN ACT

relating to notification provided to certain victims of criminal offenses.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Article 2.023 to read as follows:

Art. 2.023. NOTIFICATION TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

(a) *This article applies only to a defendant who, in connection with a previous conviction for an offense listed in Article 42A.054(a) or for which the judgment contains an affirmative finding under Article 42A.054(c) or (d):*

(1) *received a sentence that included imprisonment at a facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and*

(2) *was subsequently released from the imprisonment, including a release on parole, to mandatory supervision, or following discharge of the defendant's sentence.*

(b) *Not later than the 10th day after the date that a defendant described by Subsection (a) is indicted for an offense listed in Article 42A.054(a) or for which the judgment contains an affirmative finding under Article 42A.054(c) or (d), the attorney representing the state shall notify an officer designated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice of the offense charged in the indictment.*

SECTION 2. Chapter 493, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 493.0251 to read as follows:

Sec. 493.0251. VICTIM NOTIFICATION OF SUBSEQUENT FELONY. (a) In this section, "victim," "guardian of a victim," and "close relative of a deceased victim" have the meanings assigned by Section 508.117.

(b) If the department receives a notification under Article 2.023, Code of Criminal Procedure, regarding the indictment of a defendant described by that article, the department shall, to the extent requested under Subsection (c), make a reasonable effort to provide notice of the offense charged in the indictment to each victim, guardian of a victim, or close relative of a deceased victim of an offense described by Article 2.023(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, for which the defendant was previously imprisoned at a facility operated by or under contract with the department and subsequently released.

(c) The department shall adopt a procedure by which a victim, guardian of a victim, or close relative of a deceased victim may:

(1) request to receive notice under this section; and

(2) inform the department of the person's address for purposes of providing the notice.

(d) Except as necessary to comply with this section, the board or the department may not disclose to any person the name or address of a person entitled to notice under this section unless:

(1) the person approves the disclosure; or

(2) a court determines that there is good cause for the disclosure and orders the board or the department to disclose the information.

SECTION 3. Not later than November 1, 2017, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice shall adopt rules necessary to implement Section 493.0251, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 4. Article 2.023, Code of Criminal Procedure, as added by this Act, applies only to a criminal case in which the indictment is presented to the court on or after December 1, 2017. A criminal case in which the indictment is presented to the court before December 1, 2017, is governed by the law in effect on the date the indictment is presented, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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**INVESTMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS, INCLUDING CERTAIN
EXPENDITURES BY PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY SYSTEMS THAT ARE
ELIGIBLE FOR CERTAIN TAX CREDITS**

CHAPTER 773

H.B. No. 1003

AN ACT

relating to investment of public funds, including certain expenditures by public institutions of higher education and university systems that are eligible for certain tax credits.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 2256.004(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) This subchapter does not apply to: